"Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see a shadow.” Helen Keller

Helen Keller was an American author, political activist, and lecturer. She was the first deaf/blind person to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree. We are focusing on ‘The Leader In Me’ Habit 1: Being Proactive. The quote above shows how as individuals we can “carry our own weather”. This means your circumstances do not define your response. We all choose our response to a situation. We are responsible for our own behavior.

At Werris Creek we have many processes in place to address bullying. Bullying occurs when there is repeated negative behaviors. Today most children attended the “Bully No More” performance. The message against bullying was delivered very strongly and the feedback from children in attendance was very positive. Thank you for supporting this performance.

Thank you to Bev Sully for sorting and washing the lost property clothing. Labelled pieces were returned to students and the rest donated to the clothing pool.
### Class Merit Certificates

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**Notes Reminder**

Could those students who have not already done so please return the General Permissions (‘G’ Movie; Walking Excursion & Media) note sent home last week. This note alleviates the need for teachers or office staff to have to contact parents on the morning of the event/excursion.

**Easter Hat Parade**

The Easter Hat Parade will be held on Thursday, 24th of March at 2pm on the playground. Students will be making their hats at school. We are asking all families to donate Easter themed decorations such as feathers, plastic eggs, glitter etc to their child’s class to be shared with all children. We appreciate your donations.
**Year 3**

Year 3 have settled into the new class routines well. We have started working hard and are having fun along the way. Here are a few pictures of what we have done so far this year.

Please feel free to drop in and join the fun!

![Image 1](image1)

![Image 2](image2)

![Image 3](image3)

**Breakfast Club**

Thank you to the following sponsors for their continuing support for the Breakfast Club this year: Werris Creek Bowling & Tennis Club; Quirindi Bakery & Matt Parsons. Their kind donations allow the programme to once again be run in 2016.

**Year 2**

Year 2 will be designing and making a toy using materials such as milk cartons, bottle caps, plastic bottle etc.

If anyone could help out with any of these items it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you

K. Spicer

RFF Teacher

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**P and C News/Community News**

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**P & C Membership Fees** – Membership fees have been set at $5:00 and are now due.

**Canteen** – Canteen helpers are required for 26th & 29th February and 2nd & 4th March please contact Ally on 0437 306 344 to organise a day.

**Zone Swimming Carnival** – The Zone Swimming Carnival is on 19.02.16 commencing at 9:00 am. Once again the P & C will be catering at this event. If anyone is available to help please contact Ally Patterson on 0437 306 344.

**Easter Raffle Donations** – Donations towards the Easter raffle can now be left at the school office. Tickets have been sent home today.

**P & C Clothing Pool** – The P & C has a limited stock of pre-loved school clothing available for sale. Please see the office or contact Kylie MacBeth (0410 545 165) if you wish to purchase.

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INVITATION: All Welcome!

REESTABLISHMENT MEETING
LIVERPOOL PLAINS LOCAL ABORIGINAL EDUCATION
CONSULTATIVE GROUP (NSW AECG Inc.)

Introduction
The Liverpool Plains LAECG would like to invite parents, carers, school staff (Principals, Executive, and Teachers), Directors PSNSW and interested community members to attend this important event!

Please note: All schools in the Liverpool Plains area are invited to attend, and it is envisaged that once established LAECG meetings will rotate between participating public schools. The NSW AECG Inc. thanks NSW public schools for their support and commitment to consultation and collaboration.

Vision
The Vision Statement of the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group Inc. is ...to provide advice on all matters relevant to education and training with the mandate that this advice represents the Aboriginal community viewpoint...

The AECG promotes respect, employment and self-determination whilst believing that the process of collaborative consultation is integral to equal partnerships, and is thus fundamental to the achievement of social equality within educational systems.

The AECG advocates cultural affirmation, integrity and the pursuit of equality to ensure that the unique and diverse identity of Aboriginal students is recognised and valued within NSW public schools.

MEETING
Date: Wednesday 9 March 2016.
Time: 4pm.
Location: Quirindi Public School (Munro Street, Quirindi)
Guest speaker: Melinda Brown (North West 2 Project Officer) has kindly volunteered her time to attend this meeting to provide advice, support and suggested strategies to re-establish a highly sustainable LAECG for the Liverpool Plains.
Contact: Stella Lamb (Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer, Tamworth, 67555624).

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Open Tuesday – Sunday Lunch 12pm – 2pm and Dinner 6pm – 8pm – Takeaways Available